



2017 Baseball/Softball Season

GENERAL RULES, PENALTIES, AND EXPECTATIONS FOR MANAGERS, COACHES, PARENTS, AND PLAYERS

We recommend the 24hr rule prior to action/reaction on any/all issues. All parties involved should set up a time, 24hrs after the reported incident, to discuss and determine the appropriate action based on the following Rules:

1. NO SMOKING/or Any Tobacco use at any time in the vicinity of the immediate playing areas or in the dugout areas during the season while a practice or game is in progress.

Penalty:

- 1st offense: Minimum One (1) game suspension
- 2nd offense: Minimum Two (3) game suspension
- 3rd offense: Minimum Out for the season

2. NO DRINKING of alcoholic beverages at any time on MAA property or any place a MAA baseball game or practice is in progress.

Penalty: Out for the season, Board of Directors approval prior to reinstatement the following year. Adult are banned from the MAA fields with possible police escort of the MAA facilities.

3. Coach or player ejection from a game by umpire or MAA board member.

Penalty:

- 1st offense: Minimum One (1) game suspension.
- 2nd offense: Minimum Two (2) game suspension.
- 3rd offense: Minimum Out for the season

NOTE: Failure to leave the playing field and immediate area after an ejection will result in a full season suspension and require board approval for reinstatement the following year.

4. Offensive behavior by coaches, players or spectators could lead to their ejections.

If this happens, the responsible party or parties will be required to leave the field of play as well as the school property. Board of Directors and/or Tournament directors will review the case and determine if the offender will be allowed back on park grounds for the remainder of the tournament. Your team may forfeit games due to bad behavior. Please act responsibly at all times and inform the spectators of the potential for ejection and forfeiture for offensive behavior.

****Any spectator who enters the field of play will cause an **immediate forfeiture of the game and tournament** for their team.

5. Fighting at a game or practice.

Player-Penalty:

- 1st offense: Minimum One (1) game suspension.
- 2nd offense: Minimum Two (2) game suspension.
- 3rd offense: Minimum Out for the season.

Adult Penalty: Automatically out for the season & banned from MAA ball fields/ facilities for 1 year. Subject for review by the Board of Directors to be reinstated for next season.

6. ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES as defined by Illinois State Law. Possession or use.

Penalty: Automatically out for the season. Law enforcement will be called & informed.

6. Theft of, or intentional damage to, property of the MAA Baseball/Softball



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Penalty: Subject to review by the MAA Board of Directors. The offender must make full restitution. Local law enforcement may be called as well depending on the severity of the crime.

7. Other offenses for which a penalty, a suspension, or ejection from MAA Baseball/Softball Leagues include but is not limited to the following items:

- Profane language
- Visibly Intoxicated
- Disruptive behavior to fans, coaches & or players.
- Disrespect to manager/coaches/or other players.
- Unlawful Possession of weapons or any firearms (outside of Law Enforcement) on MAA Facilities.
- Disregard of manager, parent, and / or player expectations.
- Intimidating behavior & any un-sportsmanlike conduct.